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Update 2013 briefing on the agenda of next

week's DSC meeting

A briefing on California Water Plan Update 2013 will be part of next week's Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) meeting. Also on the

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We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.



agenda is an update on the Delta Plan implementation. The meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 18, in Sacramento.

Reports finds water quantity and quality is one of top areas for conservation investment A report on investing in conservation found that \$23 billion has been committed worldwide during the past five years. That total is expected to increase to \$37.1 billion during the next five years. One of the main categories for investment is water quantity and quality conservation, which includes investments in watershed protection and storm water management.

Governors' association posts highlights from Sacramento drought forum The Western Governors' Association has posted highlights from last month's drought forum in Sacramento. The two-day meeting focused on drought effects in the agriculture sector,



and included sessions on technologies and innovative approaches, as well as a roundtable on government policies. The association has sponsored a series of drought forums.

State agency urges respect for sacred sites of Native Americans As water levels have dropped at California's lakes, reservoirs, and rivers, they has exposed sacred Native American sites. At the same time, there has been an increase in complaints of vandalism and looting at these sites. The California Department of Parks and Recreation has issued a news release urging respect for the sites. It also outlines the laws against vandalism and looting.

WATER PLAN SPLASH

The Splash is a feature of the California Water Plan eNews to spotlight topics from Update 2013 and its Highlights booklet.

In the Highlights booklet of California Water Plan Update 2013 is a graphic that is known within DWR as the "butterfly chart." It illustrates statewide water uses and supplies during a 10-year period beginning in 2001. The time frame includes wet years, and moderately dry years. The chart shows California's variability with regard to water use and water supply. Details about water portfolios and balances are available in Volume 1, Chapter 3, "California Water Today." A butterfly chart is also included in each of the regional reports in Volume 2.

